

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Toshio MATSUMOTO
Appln. No. : 10/772,398
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For : POROUS SINTERED BODY OF CALCIUM PHOSPHATE-BASED
CERAMIC AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME

Group Art Unit: 1791
Examiner: Lopez
Confirmation No.: 5023

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114
IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED NOVEMBER 13, 2007**

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment
Randolph Building
401 Dulany Street
Alexandria VA 22314

Sir :

This is in response to the Final Official Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 13, 2007 which set a three-month shortened statutory period for reply until February 13, 2008.

This response is an Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 and is being filed as the submission with a Request for Continued Examination, which is being concurrently filed herewith.

This response is being filed by the initial due date for response whereby an extension of time and government fee associated therewith should not be necessary for maintaining pendency. However, if any extension of time is required, this is an express request for any required extension of time and authorization to charge any necessary fee to maintain the pendency of the application, including any necessary extension of time or claim fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Entry of the following amendment and reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record are respectfully requested.

Reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested in view of the remarks presented herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on 5 of this paper.